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PRODUCTS FROM A LIQUID REACTANT

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Sir:

ELECTION OF SPECIES

Applicants elect species corresponding to Claim 8 with traverse. As pointed out by the Examiner, the invention has been filed under 35 USC§ 371. Thus, the unity of invention rules apply. Applicants point out that the invention is linked by step (a) where "the liquid containing the reactant substantially penetrates in the walls .

..." Further, each of the species are dependent from this and as such by any reasonable logic are linked by the aforementioned common feature.

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